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EDITORIAL OCTOBER 19 IN THE NATION REVIEW DESCRIBES THE
GERMAN COMMANDO RESCUE OF THE LUFTHANSA HOSTAGES AT MOGADISHU
AS "A SHOT OF CYANIDE TO INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM" AND PRAISES
BONN FOR MOUNTING THE RAID AND SOMALIA FOR PERMITTING ITS EXECU-
TION. EDIT COMMENTS, "WE WONDER HOW MANY COUNTRIES WOULD HAVE
ALLOWED ANOTHER COUNTRY TO MOUNT COMMANDO OPERATIONS ON ITS
SOIL, BUT NOW THE PRECEDENT HAS BEEN SET, AND WE TRUST THAT
MORE COUNTRIES WILL FOLLOW (SUIT.)"

EDIT REVIEWS THE HIJACKING DRAMA, DISCUSSES POSSIBLE SOMA-
LIAN POLITICAL AND MILITARY MOTIVES FOR PERMITTING THE GERMANS
TO CONDUCT THE RESCUE AND WARNS THAT THE RESCUE WILL NOT MAKE
INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM DISAPPEAR.

EDIT CONCLUDES, "SO LONG AS THERE ARE COUNTRIES LIKE ALGERIA
WHICH WELCOME TERRORISTS AND CRIMINALS WITH OPEN ARMS, HIJACKERS
WPSL HAVE A HAVEN. THE RED ARMY TERRORISTS AND THE PRISONERS
WHICH JAPAN RELEASED FOUND SEFETY IN ALGERIA. POSSIBLY ALGERIA
JUST CONFISCATED THE SIX MILLION DOLLAR RANSOM MONEY WHICH JAPAN
PAID AND ALLOWED THE JAPANESE TERRORISTS TO ROAM THE STREETS.
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"INSTEAD OF BECOMING THE FOCUS OF INTERNATIONAL SCORN LIKE
ALGERIA, SOMALIA CAN NOW BASK IN THE PRAISE BEING HEAPED ON HER
AND WHICH SHE JUSTLY DESERVES."
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